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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated November 19, 2002. A two-month extension has been applied.

Applicants and their German Patent Attorney, Dr. Emmel, have asked the undersigned to convey their thanks to the Examiner for the telephone conference to which the Examiner agreed and which took place on February 11, 2003. The courtesies extended by the Examiner during the telephone conference are greatly appreciated.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Specification:

The Examiner has stated that the abstract of the disclosure does not commence on a separate sheet in accordance with the rules. It is noted in this context that, as the